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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR APRIL 17 SYRIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT ASAD:

QUOTE:

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND TO YOU MY
WARMEST PERSONAL GREETINGS AND THOSE OF THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE ON THE OCCASION OF THE 29TH ANNIVERSARY OF
SYRIA'S INDEPENDENCE. UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP SYRIA HAS
MADE GREAT PROGRESS IN ALL FIELDS. THE UNITED STATES
PLEDGES TO CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES
OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WITH YOUR COUNTRY IN THE
PURSUIT OF PEACE

AND WELL-BEING FOR THE PEOPLES OF THE MIDDLE EAST.
WITH BEST WISHES, SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE BUT HAS NO

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